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SUBJECT: BOLIVIA AND MALAYSIA STUDY JOINT POSITION IN ITC

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1. PRESS OF OCTOBER 31 REPORTS THAT MINISTER OF PLANNING JUAN LECHIN WHEN RECENTLY IN LONDON MET WITH MALAYSIAN DELEGATION OF ITC. AFTER REVIEWING PRESENT WORLD SITUATION REGARDING TIN, MINISTER PROPOSED TO MALAYSIAN AMBASSADOR THAT MALAYSIA AND BOLIVIA AS NUMBER ONE AND TWO WORLD TIN PRODUCERS SHOULD GET TOGETHER WITH OTHER PRODUCERS AND PRESENT JOINT POSITION TO DECEMBER 6 MEETING OF ITC THAT WOULD ACHIEVE A SOLUTION TO PRESENT SITUATION OF LOW TIN PRICES.

2. ONE OF PROPOSALS WILL BE TO INCREASE BUYING POWER OF BUFFER STOCK. PRODUCING COUNTRIES HAVE SO FAR CONTRIBUTED US\$ 27 MILLION TO BUFFER STOCK OF WHICH BOLIVIA CONTRIBUTED ABOUT 19 PERCENT. LECHIN SAID BOLIVIA WOULD HAVE TO OBTAIN A CREDIT TO MEET ITS OBLIGATION IF INCREASE IN BUFFER STOCK IS APPROVED, BUT WAS DETERMINED TO DO SO IN SPITE OF HIGH INTEREST RATES BECAUSE MINING INDUSTRY IS IN SUCH DIFFICULTY. COMPARED TO 1974 BOLIVIA HAS RESTRICTED TIN EXPORTS BY 18 PERCENT.

3. REPORTEDLY, MALAYSIAN DELEGATION ACCEPTED BOLIVIAN
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POSITION IN PRINCIPLE AND WILL MEET WITH BOLIVIAN DELEGA-

TION IN LONDON AGAIN BEFORE ITC MEETING TO CLARIFY JOINT
POSITION WHICH WILL BE PRESENTED BY MALAYSIA. END UNCLASSIFIED.

4. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. COMMENT. WELL-KNOWN
BOLIVIAN WITH BOTH PRIVATE AND PUBLIC POSITIONS SAID MAIN
PROPOSAL TO MALAYSIANS WAS TO DOUBLE CAPACITY OF BUFFER
STOCK FROM 20 TO 40 THOUSAND MT. PURPOSE IS TO TRY MAINTAIN
MINIMUM PRICE OF 950 MALAYSIAN DOLLARS PER PICUL. REMAINDER
OF DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN BOLIVIANS AND MALAYSIANS RELATED TO
TACTICS PRODUCER NATIONS SHOULD USE TO GAIN ACCEPTANCE BY
ITC. THEY ALSO HELD DISCUSSIONS ON EFFECTS OF QUOTA THAT WILL
CERTAINLY HAVE TO BE IMPOSED FOR FIRST QUARTER 1976. FURTHER
DISCUSSIONS WILL BE HELD BETWEEN BOLIVIAN AMBASSADOR IN
LONDON (ALSO BOLIVIAN ITC REP) AND MALAYSIANS SINCE WITHOUT
SUPPORT OF LATTER, ANY PROPOSAL IS UNLIKELY TO SUCCEED.
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